

c. 1897

BA 1705  
Wayside  
Hopkins Lane  
Owings Mills, Md. 21117  
private

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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

WAYSIDE

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

264 Hopkins Lane

Second

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Owings Mills

— VICINITY OF

Baltimore

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

—DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

—STRUCTURE

—SITE

—OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

—PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

—BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

—IN PROCESS

—BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

—UNOCCUPIED

—WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

—YES: RESTRICTED

—YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

—AGRICULTURE

—MUSEUM

—COMMERCIAL

—PARK

—EDUCATIONAL

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

—ENTERTAINMENT

—RELIGIOUS

—GOVERNMENT

—SCIENTIFIC

—INDUSTRIAL

—TRANSPORTATION

—MILITARY

—OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. Truman T. Semans

Telephone #: 363-1918

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Hopkins Lane

CITY, TOWN

Owings Mills

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21117

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County Courts Bldg.

Liber #: 5657

Folio #: 758

STREET &amp; NUMBER

401 Bosley Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

BA-1705

**CONDITION**

☒ EXCELLENT  
☐ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

WAYSIDE is a two and one-half storey frame house with its exterior walls sheathed in beaded vertical siding with battens. Three wide bays in length, its principal facade is to the south and a broad gable is above the easterly bay, its easterly roof extending north as a hip terminating the principal roof. The centered door has diamond-sidelights and triple windows are in the flanking bays, first storey. Double 1/1 windows are in the outer bays of the second storey and a single wide 2/2 window is above the principal entrance. A dormer with a 1/1 window is above each bay in the roof. An interior brick chimney rises between the two dormers and a pair rises within the eaves of the east end. A two-storey porch extends across the east end and formerly a one-storey porch extended across the south front. Formerly a tenant house of a farm, its simple interior has had modest details added to enhance an utterly simple design with low ceiling heights.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

BA-1705

## RIOD

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

WAYSIDE, dating from the late nineteenth century, was originally a tenant house; modest detailing has been added to enhance a simple structure.

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Situated on land which was part of "Urath's Fancy" and "Owings Traverse" bought prior to 1875 by Joseph H. Hopkins,<sup>1</sup> Wayside was originally used by the Hopkins' as a tenant house for Haddon, the main house on the property.<sup>2</sup> Joseph Hopkins bought 81 acres above Chattolane after searching for a summer place which would provide good drinking water for his family.<sup>3</sup> After the marriage of his older daughter, Nellie, in 1901,<sup>4</sup> Joseph, his wife and younger daughter, Marion, moved to the tenant house. Sleeping porches were added to give Marion the advantage of night air which it was believed would help cure her "tuberculosis".<sup>5</sup> Pictures taken in 1904 show a front porch which has been removed.

The former tenant<sup>house</sup> was called "Wayside" in memory of Elizabeth Haddon, an ancestor of the Hopkins'. Longfellow's poem "Elizabeth" is about the courtship of Elizabeth and comes from a group of poems, "Tales of a Wayside Inn".<sup>6</sup>

After the death of her parents, Marion Hopkins continued to live at Wayside. In 1935 she moved into a barn which she converted<sup>7</sup> and rented Wayside to a series of tenants.<sup>8</sup> In 1954 Wayside was sold to J. Hurst Purnell<sup>9</sup> who in turn sold it to the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. Truman T. Semans in 1976.<sup>10</sup>

#### Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> Baltimore County Land Records (BCLR), County Courts Bldg., Towson, Md. Liber JB 106, folio 287.

<sup>2</sup> Conversation with Mrs. M. John Cromwell, granddaughter of Joseph Hopkins, February 20, 1980.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid.

<sup>4</sup> From letter in possession of researcher, great-niece of Marion Hopkins.

<sup>5</sup> Conversation with Mrs. Cromwell, 2-20-80.

<sup>6</sup> J. Linton Engle: The Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Settlement of Haddonfield, New Jersey 1713-1913. (Haddonfield Publications Committee, p. 30).

<sup>7</sup> The Baltimore Sun, April 8, 1938.

<sup>8</sup> Memory of researcher.

<sup>9</sup> BCLR, Liber GLB 2616, folio 449.

<sup>10</sup> BCLR, Liber 5657, folio 758.

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## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

James T. Wollon, Jr., A.I.A./Annette Walsh, Research Historian

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Valleys Planning Council

3-2-80

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

212 Washington Avenue

828-7807

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Towson

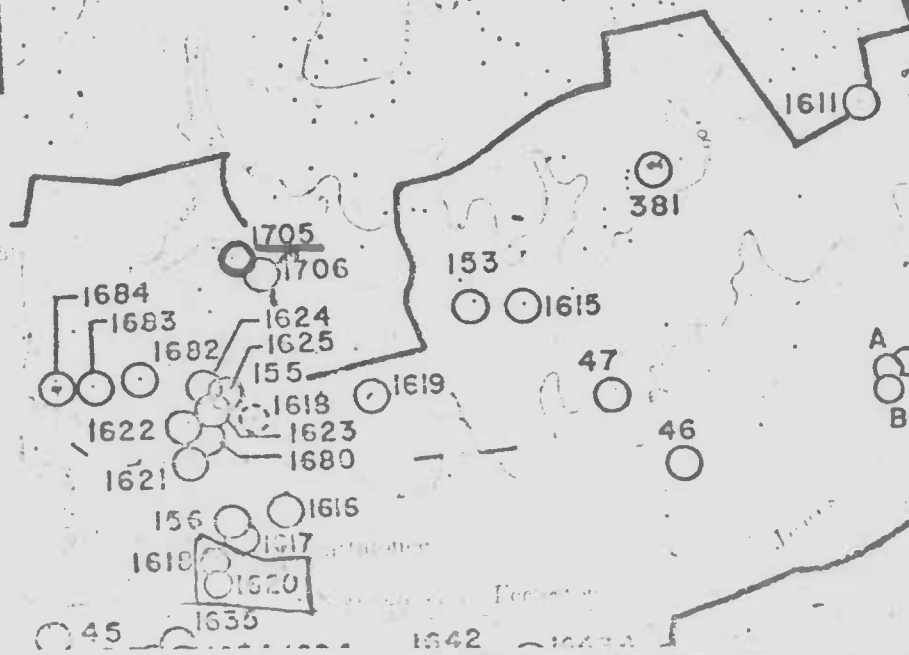
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